GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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BUDGETARY SUPPORT
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have recently demanded additional budgetary support from the Union Government for completing its pending and on-going projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Railways to complete its pending and on-going projects?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. At the time of finalization of Budget, 2006-07, a requirement of Rs.2,092 crore was projected to the Ministry of Finance for the four National Projects. Ministry of Finance has so far provided Rs.450 crore on this account, out of which an amount of Rs.300 crore has been included in the Supplementary Demand for Grants of the Railways presented in December, 2006.

(c): A number of initiatives have been taken to complete the various pending and on-going projects on the Railways. These include entering into public-private-partnership, seeking participation of State Governments, funding of National Projects through additional budgetary support, seeking Defence Funding for various strategically important projects and non- budgetary initiatives like taking up various projects through Rail Vikas Nigam Ltd for expeditious completion of on-going projects.